

# DESCRIPTS PERILS OF MEXICO

## AMERICAN CITIZEN WHO IS MAR- RIED THERE PORTAYS THE HORRORS.

### SAYS "COST OF LIVING" IS WITHOUT PARALLEL

#### People Starving in the Streets—Mur- ders and Assassinations of Daily Occurrence.

The following private letter from an American in Mexico City gives a graphic picture of conditions in the Mexican capital. For reasons explained in the letter it was not mailed in Mexico, but was carried to Texas and mailed there.

"There is a bull train caravan leaving tomorrow with refugees leaving Mexico, and as I have some friends who will be aboard will try and get a letter through.

"It will be quite an exodus. Something like the exodus from Egypt, and probably somewhat like the picture of the children leaving here at 6 a.m. outward bound, and as each individual has to provide his own conveyance it is probable that there will be a resurrection of ancient contraptions that will run all the way from automobiles to the high wheeled wagons to the sea-going hack. Following this impressive panorama will come the baggage wagons and comestibles.

#### Meager Mail Facilities.

"We have had no mail since January, except one dab that came in from the north in March, and then as Frank Doughty brings up his return trip to the States. The latter is a recent innovation. Some weeks ago Frank took a passenger to Puebla in his automobile and collected therefor \$4,000, and he looked upon it as a success. Thereupon he established a regular weekly service to take out people from here at \$4,000 per trip, and arranged with some of the different governments in control here to permit him to bring mail. He has mailed out at \$2.50 per letter. The mail we have received is that dated last January and February.

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The hardest part of life here is the waiting, waiting, waiting for some-

# TELLS HOW MEXICO MAY BE SAVED

## Gen. Hernandez, Huerta Fol- lower, Wants a Real Leader Recognized by U. S.

### SAYS HIS FORMER CHIEF OPPOSED KILLING MADERO

#### Silenced Members of Cabinet Who Advocated Execution of the "Dreamer."

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE STAR.

NEW YORK, August 7.—Gen. Juan Hernandez, governor of Puebla under Huerta's reign, who was one of the strong men of Mexico before a dreamer's rule provoked revolution and led to the present devastating struggle, sat in his apartment at 562 Riverside drive this afternoon and checked off with a forefinger the names of one of the revolutionaries who, he said, had been driven from the country because of the "crime of owning property."

#### Carranzistas Make Ready to Attack Nogales Today;

#### U. S. Troops Guard Border

NOGALES, Ariz., August 7.—Gen. Carranza, the Carranza commander, drew closer to Nogales, Sonora, today and was expected to attack tomorrow at daybreak.

In anticipation of a battle, a double guard of American soldiers was posted on the international line and a machine gun platoon stationed on the Titticomb hill, overlooking the city. United States cavalrymen patrolled the border near the city.

#### Gov. Maytorena, Villa Commander, Insisted He Will Resist Villa's Attack on Carranza's Forces.

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Clifton Stonestreet, found guilty of being an accessory after the fact, was sentenced to three years in state's prison.

An appeal was taken, filed for the defendants as paupers.

# BERLIN EXPLAINS MOVE TO PARTITION THE KONGO

## Germany Proposed Its Division to Great Britain and France in 1914.

### Differences Between Holyoke, Mass., Trolley Company and Employees Stop Car Service.

HOLYOKE, Mass., August 7.—Sixty thousand citizens of this city and 5,000 citizens of Amherst went without trolley service of any kind today because the directors of the Holyoke Street Railway Company and its 250 striking employees could not agree on any method of arbitrating the questions of wages and working conditions at issue between them.

#### Directors Decline to Arbitrate.

The directors of the company late today declined to accept the services of the state board of arbitration and conciliation as arbitrator in the dispute. Their declaration was announced to Commissioner Woods in a public hearing, at which John H. Reardon, member of the executive committee of the trolley company, and the Holyoke Merchants' Association, was under way tonight to arrange for presentation tomorrow of a form of arbitration acceptable to both parties.

#### Does Not Expect Justice.

The charge was made today by Jeremiah P. Sullivan, company director, that corporations could not expect justice from the trolley company, and that the company could not expect justice from the trolley company.

#### THREE MEN ARE INJURED WHEN MOTOR HITS POLE

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#### RUMANIA CABINET VOTES \$20,000,000 FOR MILITARY

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#### COLORED BOY SCOUTS.

A movement has been started to organize colored boys of this city into troops of Boy Scouts. Already several troops have been organized, and others are in process of formation. The effort is being made to have other troops enrolled by Thursday, when an excursion for the boys is to be held to River View.

#### GOES TO FORT MONROE.

#### U. S. Army Steamer Capt. A. M. Wetherill Taken Off Potomac Duty.

The United States Army steamer Capt. A. M. Wetherill, doing duty as tender to the army posts on the Potomac, has been temporarily withdrawn from that station and sent to Fort Monroe to be used in connection with large practice with the big guns. The Wetherill will be absent from its station for about fifteen days.

#### TRANSFERS FOR ARMY.

#### Secretary Garrison Approves Line From New York to Panama.

Secretary Garrison has approved a plan to establish an army transport service between New York and Panama. The transport ship, the "Sumner," is to be chartered in New York, will make the first trip.

#### EATS TOADSTOOLS; DEAD.

#### Alexander Schroeter, Painter, Mistook Them for Mushrooms.

THOMPSONVILLE, Conn., August 7.—Alexander Schroeter, a portrait painter of New York city, died here tonight as a result of eating toadstools, which he had mistakenly gathered for mushrooms. He was 40 years of age, was a graduate of Leipzig university and had been in this country sixteen years.

# THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE MAKE PILGRIMAGE TO SPECIAL GUARANTEES FOR RUSSIAN EXPORTS

## Plan Provides That Shipments Shall Be Consigned to Secretary of Commerce.

In a conference between representatives of the State and Commerce departments and officials of the Russian embassy, a tentative scheme was completed yesterday for handling Russian exports to be released to the United States by lifting the embargo under guarantee that no part of the exports will be allowed to reach Russia's enemies. The plan will be cable to the Russian minister of finance for endorsement.

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